

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraphs identified below with the following amended paragraphs:

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Page 7, line 17, second full paragraph (beginning with the words, "A packet data system 20 is illustrated in FIG. 1 . . .")

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M A packet data system 20 is illustrated in FIG. 1 consistent with the protocols defined by the HAI specification. In the system 20, a base station 22 communicates with mobile stations 26 through 28. Each mobile station 26-28 is identified by an index value from 0 to N, N being the total number of mobile stations within the system 20. The packet data channel 24 is illustrated as a multiplexor to illustrate the switchable connection. The base station 22 may be referred to as an "access ~~terminal~~ network device" for providing connectivity to users, specifically for example, one user at a time. Each mobile station 26-28 may be referred to as an "access terminal". Note that an access terminal is typically connected to a computing device, such as a laptop computer, or a personal digital assistant. An access terminal may even be a cellular telephone with web access capabilities. Similarly, the packet data channel 24 may be referred to as an "access network" for providing data connectivity between a packet switched data network and the access terminal device. In one example, the base station 22 connects mobile stations 26-28 to the Internet.

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Page 12, line 5, first paragraph (beginning with the words, "In one embodiment, the T/P ratio is included in the header of a packet of data . . .")

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In one embodiment, the T/P ratio is included in the header of a packet of data or may be punctured or inserted into the high rate packet data channel between packetized data traffic. As illustrated in FIG. 7, the T/P ratio information is transmitted prior to traffic and between packetized traffic data, wherein the information ~~and~~ provides the mobile station(s) 56-60 updated information regarding the available power as a result of changes in the low delay data channel. Such changes also impact the number of codes, such as Walsh codes, available for spreading the information signals. ~~Less power available and fewer codes available results~~ The availability of less power and use of fewer codes result in a decreased data rate. For example, in one embodiment, the packetized data to a given user, or to all users if multiple packetized data links are available, is transmitted over channels corresponding to Walsh codes 16-19 in a CDMA system.

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